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Re: STB Docket No. AB-1063, *Backtrack, Inc. -- Adverse Abandonment -- in Cerro Gordo County, IA*

Dear Ms. Brown:

By virtue of the Board's decision in the above proceeding served August 19, 2010, first ordering paragraph on page 2, Cerro Gordo County, Iowa (the County) was required to serve a copy of its Petition for Waiver and a copy of that decision on Iowa Traction Railroad Company (IATR) and certify to the Board, by August 24, 2010, that it has done so. In the same ordering paragraph, IATR was permitted to file a response to that Petition by September 13, 2010.

The County has served those copies on IATR as so required. As its Response, IATR hereby adopts the Reply of Backtrack, Inc. in Partial Opposition to that Petition, as that Reply appears at pages 5-8 of Backtrack's Motion for Rejection of Petition for Waivers and Exemption or Reply in Partial Opposition if Petition is Not Rejected, filed on May 6, 2010. In particular, the Board should not waive the requirements for:

- (1) Environmental and Historic Reporting (pages 5-6);
- (2) Newspaper Publication of Notice of Intent (pages 6-7);
- (3) Time for Filing Protests (page 7);
- (4) General Requirements of 49 USC 10903 (page 8); and
- (5) Labor Protective Conditions (page 8).

Respectfully submitted,

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